

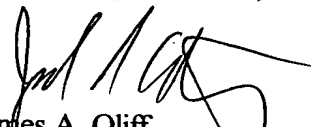
pressure air is depicted as including an air transfer tube 92. This is described in the specification at page 7, first full paragraph.

Applicants traverse the election of species requirement on the ground that the generic claim is not so broad as to place an undue burden on the Patent Office to search and examine the full scope of the claim. Rather, Applicants respectfully assert that search and examination of the entire application could be conducted without undue burden on the Examiner, thus avoiding delay and expense to Applicants.

Applicants further understand, however, that upon search, examination and allowance of the elected species, search and examination will continue as to the non-elected species within the scope of the generic claim.

Entry of the foregoing amendments and early and favorable consideration of the application are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the application, or any suggestions to expedite prosecution, she is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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